entertainment, news, sports, children programmes and music. Under the provisions of Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995 as amended up to date, the overcharging by cable operators over and above the rates fixed by the Government for free to air channels will constitute a cognizable offence.

The provisions of the aforesaid Act and the rules made thereunder do not regulate the prices of pay channels. The variation in rates of pay channels from one MSO to another cannot be ruled out. However, the cable operators are required to publicise as per rules, the rates payable by the viewers for each pay channel provided by the operator.

Cruise terminals in coastal areas of Karnataka

*200. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up cruise terminals in the coastal areas of Karnataka between Mangalore and Karwar; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

New grain export policy

1233. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN:
SHRI EKANATH K.THAKUR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the new grain export policy requires the exporter to buy grains directly from market;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the device of transportation and storage of the grains before export;

(c) whether any studies have been conducted on the impact of this